



Efficient Magnet Designs and Radiation effects for PSI

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New Target Region





Long term goal: replace resistive magnets in HIPA



~280 copper coil resistive magnets

~70 magnets with Mineral Insulated Cables (MIC) (highly radiative environment)







Transport solenoid:

resistive vs superconducting at a glance



Resistive magnet

- Cu coils mass: 1300 kg
- $J_e = 5 \text{ A/mm}^2$
- Peak field: 0.55 T
- Peak power consumption: 65 kW
- Average power consumption: ~20 kW



Superconducting magnet

- Cold mass (coil + yoke): ~ 110 kg
- J_e=150 A/mm²

- Peak field: ≥1.0 T
- Peak power consumption: 8.6 kW
- Average power consumption: 7.6 kW
 •6.6 kW from cryocoolers → it could drop to 3.6 kW at lower radiation
 - environments
 - •0.5 kW from the turbopump
 - •0.5 kW from losses in the cable + Cu leads





Pilot Solenoid for IMPACT

	Resistive	Superconducting
Average Power [kW]	20	7.6
Working		
hours/year	4000	4000
n. years	20	20
Tot. energy [MWh]	1600	608
Energy saving [MWh] Energy price	0	992
[CHF/MWh]	200	200
Tot. electricity price [kCHF]	320	121.6
Runnig cost saving [kCHF]	0	198.4
Yearly carbon Intensity [gCO2eq/kWh]	40	40
CO2 equivalent [tons]	64	24.32
CO2 equivalent saving [tons]	0	39.68
Capital cost [kCHF]	225	350
Price break even [years]		12.60

Solenoid main parameters

Solenoid parameters	Cu	SC
Inner Diameter [mm]	550	600
Total Length [mm]	465	465
Peak field [T]	0.55	1
Field integral [Tm]	0.3	0.3
Working hours / year	4000	4000
Duration of operation	>20 years	>20 years





Pilot Solenoid for IMPACT



t 9.33			
1.2			
1.6			
0.3			
?			
12.43			
2	2nd	stage	
P [W]	3rd solenoid	P	W]
0.04	HTS leads	0.0	04
0.12	Structural support	0.1	12
0.13	Thermal radiation	0.1	13
0.15	Sensor wires	0.1	15
0.150	neutron dose	0.0	012
0.590	Tot.	0.4	452
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Pilot Solenoid for IMPACT



HTS demonstrator



Demonstrator Magnet for high radiation environment



Main Goal: Gain experience regarding the operation of superconducting magnets in a high radiation environment

- 1. Design and build a superconducting magnet
- 2. Place it inside a high radiation environment (i.e. accelerator enclosure)
- 3. Measure the operational properties of the magnet during operation ($I_c \& T_c$)
- 4. Measure the radiation level during operation
- 5. → Combine this information and draw conclusions regarding the life cycle of a SC magnet in a high radiation environment

ightarrow Collaboration with Polytech Turin for radiation assessment

HTS superconducting magnets



Advantages

- Increased performance
- Thermal stability (wrt LTS) Large temperature margin (including beam deposited energy)
- Compact design
- Saving electric consumption
- Reduced cost for power supply
- ➤ T_{op}~20-30 K

Drawbacks

- > Higher capital cost
- > Cryogenics
- Quench detection system
- > AC losses in time varying field

Radiation damages

- Limits for superconductor degradation?
- No organic insulation
 - non insulated coils or
 - steel insulated coils





Test station for conduction cooled magnets

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HTS Demonstrator





Neutron spectrum measured but we are still waiting for the results...



Goal: build a test magnet, place it inside the cyclotron bunker and irradiate it for one operational period (4000 hrs) in 2026

Superconducting magnets for HIMB

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Conclusion



- The total power consumption of the HIMB magnets is 3.1 MW (20% more than current magnets).
- Superconducting magnets could both save energy and improve machine performance.
- We plan to build
 - a Nb-Ti pilot solenoid for low-radiation regions and
 - A ReBCO demonstrator to explore the HTS technology for higher radiation environments.
- The SMILE (Superconducting Magnets to Improve Large research facilities Efficiency) initiative was launched to address these topics.
- The goal is to adopt superconducting materials in PSI's accelerator-driven research infrastructures to
 - lower the power consumption and
 - to increase the performance.

Thank you



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LTS Solution: Pilot







Max. field 0.55 T Power at max. field 65 kW

Max. field 1 T Power at max. field ?? kW

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Power	128 kW	Power	145 kW	Power	67 kW	Power	189 kW	Power	32 / 74 kW
Field	1.564 T	Field	1.5 T	Field	1.5 T	Field	1.8 T	Field	1.2 / 1.15 T
Integral	2.8 Tm	Integral	4.5 Tm	Integral	3.75 Tm	Integral	2.9 Tm	Integral	2.2 / 2.3 Tm
Size	2x1.5x0.8 m	Size	2.9x2.6x1.5 m	Size	2x1.5x1.2 m	Size	1x0.7x0.7 m	Size	2x1.2x1.5 m
Weight	12.5 t	Weight	51 t	Weight	22 t	Weight	4.2 t	Weight	19 t



Radiation hard (MIC coils)

AHL				
Power	61 kW			
Field	1.12 T			
Integral	2.5 Tm			
Size	2.3x2.3x1.5 m			
Weight	48 t			



SMILE: mid-term initiative (min. 4 years)



Goals: Sustainable energy management for the infrastructure of PSI, with more efficient and improved performance of magnets



Three work packages : DC and AC superconducting magnets Advanced cryogenics (Pulsating Heat Pipes)



HiMB: MuH2 beamline – radiation levels





d, µSv/h 1.000E-07 1.000E-08 1.000E-09 1.000E-10 1.000E-11 1.000E-12 1.000E-13 1.000E-14 1.000E-15 1.000E-16

Environmental Impact : CO₂ Emission figures





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